

mit such minor to a suitable juvenile institution or other suitable place of detention instead of the county jail.

1931, ch. 323, sec. 83.

**83.** Any resident of each of the several counties or the agent or any society incorporated under the laws of the State for the care and protection of children may file with the juvenile magistrate of said county, a petition in writing and under oath, setting forth that a certain child or children, naming the same, if the name or names be known, and also naming the parent or parents of said child or children if there be parent or parents known to the petitioner, or the name of the custodian of said child or children if there be such custodian known to the petitioner, and the place or places of residence of each child or children, their parents or other custodian where known to the petitioner, is or are delinquent, dependent or neglected and that it is for the interest of said child or children and the State of Maryland that it or they be taken from its or their parent or parents, guardian or custodian or place of residence and placed under the jurisdiction of the magistrate sitting in juvenile causes together with such other pertinent facts, if any, as the petitioner may think proper to state. The magistrate shall file and preserve such petitions and all papers relating to such petition and docket such case, wherein the petitioner shall be named the plaintiff and the child or children, its or their parent or parents, guardian or custodian when named shall be made defendant in such case. It shall be the duty of said magistrate to pass an order requiring the sheriff or some constable of said county, or one of the probation officers herein-after named, to serve a summons upon all parties named in said proceedings as defendants, to be and appear before said magistrate, at the hour and upon the day therein named, and the magistrate may, in his discretion, adopt all necessary means to have the body of the child named in the proceedings brought before said magistrate at any designated time.

1931, ch. 323, sec. 84.

**84.** The magistrates for juvenile causes of the several counties shall each conduct their hearings in an informal manner and may adjourn the hearings from time to time. Each hearing shall be held in private with only interested parties and such other persons who may have a legitimate interest in the proceedings present, in the discretion of the presiding magistrate for juvenile causes.

1931, ch. 323, sec. 85.

**85.** Promptly after June 1, 1931, there shall be appointed by the Governor a committee, to be known as the "Juvenile Court Committee," in each of the several counties of the State of Maryland. Each committee shall be composed of five persons, and shall serve without pay. Two of the members first appointed under this sub-title shall serve until June 1, 1933, and three of said members shall serve until June 1, 1935. Upon the expiration of the terms of the respective members of the committee,